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CITY HALL.  
POSITIVELY THE LAST NIGHT  
FOR THE ACTORS' BENEFIT.  
**T**HE PRINCE EDWARD  
THEATRICAL COMPANY  
WILL PERFORM  
THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING.  
(On the 25th of Dec. 1885.  
"JULSÆR'S UNØBER"  
AND  
"INDUR-SABHA."  
A Trip to Fairland.  
PRICES OF ADMISSION:—  
Dress Circle ..... 8s.  
Stalls ..... £1.  
Pit (for Sailors and Soldiers) ..... 30.50.  
Tickets to be obtained from Mr. E. CASSE-  
MUNOY, FAMILY STORE, and at the door of the  
Theatre.  
Doors open at 8.30 P.M. Performance at 9 P.M.  
"D. N. HATHIRAM."  
Homage, 26th July, 1885. [1886

THEATRE  ROYAL.  
CITY HALL.  
THURSDAY, 30th JULY, 1885.

**M<sup>r</sup>. WILLARD** begs to announce that  
his Company, assisted by **GENTLE-  
MEN AMATEURS**, will perform as above, in  
C. H. HAWTHORNE'S FARCEFUL COMEDY  
"THE PRIVATE SECRETARY."

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<b>MR. CATERMOLE.</b>	<b>MR. BRANDON.</b>
<b>DOUGLAS CATERMOLE.</b>	<b>MR. P.W. WILLARD.</b>
<b>REV. ROBERT SPALDING.</b>	<b>MR. PAGE.</b>
<b>MR. SYDNEY GABSOR.</b>	<b>MR. T. KIDMAN.</b>
<b>MR. NARBURN.</b>	<b>MR. CHALINOR.</b>
<b>TOM.</b>	<b>MR. HILTONS.</b>
<b>EDITH MARSLAND.</b>	<b>MISS A. VERNIE.</b>
<b>EVA WEBSTER.</b>	<b>MISS TILGNEY.</b>
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ENTIRELY NEW SCENERY.  
PAINTED BY MR. PAGE.

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CHAMBERS IN THE ALBANY.

ACT II.  
DRAWING ROOM IN MARSLAND

**DRAWING ROOM, MARSLAND HALL.**  
**ACT. III.**  
**MARSLAND HALL.**

**✓** This Comedy, the talk of London, has reached its 450th Night, and is still running.

**PRICES OF ADMISSION:—**

Dress Circle and Stalls.....	\$2.
Pit.....	\$1.

**TICKETS may be had and Plan of the Theatre seen at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH'S, Hongkong, 24th July, 1885.** [1357]

**FOR SHANGHAI**

(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, NEWCHANG, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE).  
**T**HE Steamship  
 "GLENFINLAS."  
 Captain Jacobs, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 25th Instant, at FIVE P.M.  
 For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.**  
 Hongkong, 24th July, 1885. 1353

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS:  
FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG, VIA  
SUEZ CANAL.

(Taking Cargo at through rates for New York).  
**THE Steamship**  
**"FLINTSHIRE."**  
 Duncester, Commander, will be despatched for  
 the above Ports on the 26th inst. at Noon.  
 For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**ADAMSON, BELL & Co.**  
 Agents.

Hongkong, 24th July, 1885. [1093]

FOR HAIPHONG. (DIRECT).  
**T**HE Steamship  
"TRIUMPH,"  
Captain Schudt, will be despatched for the  
above Port on TUESDAY, the 28th instant, at  
DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
A. R. MARTY.  
Hongkong, 25th July, 1885. [1362]

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.  
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"RIGHTER"

Captain Guthrie, will be despatched as above  
on MONDAY, the 3rd August.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents,  
Hongkong, 25th July, 1885. [1262]

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FOR MAURITIUS, PORT NATAL, EAST  
LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH, AND

CAPE TOWN.  
(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG should  
sufficient inducement offer).  
**THE** Steamship  
"WELCOMBE,"  
Captain Corfield, will have quick despatch for  
the above Ports.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GUTHRIE & CO.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1885. GILMAN & CO. [136]

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**GOVERNMENT SHELTER.**

**T**ICKETS entitling DESTITUDES other than Chinese to 24 hours BOARD and

**LODGING** in the above **SHELTER** can now be obtained at the **TREASURY** in Books of 20. Each Book costs \$3. Two or more Tickets may be given where extended relief is thought desirable. The Men relieved will be allowed opportunities of seeking employment.

Charitable persons are earnestly requested to refrain from giving Money to **DESTITUTES**, and to avail themselves of the above or some other

organised method of relief.  
Hongkong 15th June, 1885. | 1113

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**"H I R A N O"**  
**NATURAL MINERAL WATER.**

Bottled at the Springs of Hirano, Province of  
Settsu, near Osaka.

**J A P A N.**  
Bright sparkling and effervescent.--  
Excellent alone or with Wine or Spirits,  
In Cases of 50 Pints.  
Analysis may be seen at the Office of the  
Undersigned.  
**NORTON & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 18th July, 1885. [131]

**NOTICE.**

**T**HE STEAM LAUNCH "MORNING STAR" is always available for PICNIC PARTIES TOWING CARGO BOATS, &c., by giving half an hour's notice.

For Particulars apply to  
**DORAJEE NOWROJEE.**

Victoria Hotel.  
7 Hongkong, 8th July, 1885. [126]



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CHEMISTS,  
By Appointment to His Excellency the Governor and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh.  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,  
PATENT MEDICINE VENDORS,  
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And  
SHED WATER MAKERS.  
SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS REFITTED,  
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PATENT MEDICINE CHESTS REFITTED.

NOTICE.—To avoid delay in the execution of Orders it is particularly requested that all business communications be addressed to the Firm, A. S. Watson & Co., at HONGKONG DISPENSARY, 121

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**LEA AND PERKINS' SAUCE.**  
The Original and Genuine.  
**WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE** bears the signature of Lea and Perkins on a red label. Sold exclusively by the Proprietors, Worcester, and Overseas & London, London.

**LEA AND PERKINS' SAUCE**  
Of Grocers and Oilmen throughout the world.

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Communications to Editorial matters should be addressed "The Editor," and those on business "The Manager," and not to individuals by name. Correspondents are requested to forward their names and addresses with communications addressed to the Editor, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only. Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until discontinued.

Orders for extra copies of the Daily Press should be sent before 11 a.m. on the day of publication. After that hour the supply is limited.

**The Daily Press.**

HONGKONG, JULY 25th, 1886.

DURING the last session of the Hongkong Legislative Council a good many useful measures were passed. One important Bill, however, which the Governor in his opening speech promised should be introduced, was never afterwards mentioned. We refer to the Bill for the amendment of the bankruptcy laws. Presumably there were good reasons for the postponement of this much needed measure, but whatever those reasons may have been we hope they will not operate against the introduction of the promised Bill during the next session. At various times, in the Legislative Council itself, in the Chamber of Commerce, and in the Supreme Court Commission which sat in 1879, the inadequacy of the provisions of the present law have been referred to, and in mercantile circles there is a general consensus of opinion that something ought to be done. The same question is now being agitated in Hongkong, where the Chamber of Commerce has just

addressed a letter to the Government on the subject. The language used by the Singapore Chamber with reference to the Straits Settlements would apply equally well to Hongkong. They draw the attention of the Government to the working of the existing Bankruptcy Ordinance, which is admitted on all hands to be most unsatisfactory, and suggest that the time has come when, availing itself of such improvements in the new Imperial Bankruptcy Act and in the Bankruptcy Bill now before the Indian Council as may be capable of adaptation to the circumstances of these Settlements, the Government should take the whole question and endeavour to frame an Ordinance which will render fraudulent concealment of assets less easy than at present, and be altogether better suited than the existing law to the requirements of Asiatic trade. The fraudulent concealment of assets by Chinese bankrupts is extremely easy in Hongkong, where a bankrupt can so easily transfer his property to the mainland beyond the jurisdiction of the colonial courts, and when the real capitalist can so easily put forward a man of straw to represent him and assume the responsibility of the debts should the operations of the hong not prove successful. What is required to meet this particular phase of the difficulty is the compulsory registration of the members of trading partnerships, a matter which has been frequently discussed here, and which the Singapore Chamber of Commerce also refer to in their letter to the Straits Government. That body says:—

"Year by year it becomes more and more evident that, if honest traders are not to be defrauded with impunity, some plan must be found by which the co-partners in every firm and especially the members of Chinese 'hongs' or 'shops' may be known beyond dispute, and prevented from repudiating their liabilities on the ground of non-partnership, although they have allowed themselves to pass as partners of the firm by habit and repute for many years." These remarks also apply equally well to Hongkong; there can be no doubt that effective registration would prevent many of the evasions that now occur.

The Supreme Court Commission reported that with regard to bankruptcies a most imperfect system had, up to that time, been adopted in realising and winding up the estates. Happily since the reorganisation of the Registrar's department under Mr. Akeroyd these remarks no longer apply, the present system being, we believe, as perfect as the existing law and the strength of the department's staff admit of. As an instance of what might be done, however, we may quote the following statement by Sir George Phillimore, who was Attorney-General at the time the Supreme Court Commission sat and was a member of that commission. He said:—

"In British Guiana, which is comparatively small colony, they had an account in the court and an official administrator as well, with a regular staff of about eight clerks. As soon as a bankrupt was declared one of the clerks was placed in possession of the stock immediately. He took possession of the books and sealed up everything. There was not five minutes lost. I know one man

in his petition hoping the official administrator would not get wind of it till next day, but he went in and took possession of his effects, and in a bureau in his bedroom he found actually more cash than would have paid all his creditors in full." Naturally the other members of the Commission expressed the opinion that a process like that described by Sir George Phillimore would greatly surprise some of the bankrupts in Hongkong and that it would be extremely beneficial. This, however, is merely a matter of detail. What is wanted is a complete revision of the existing law. The subject is an important one, and requires to be handled with care. The Singapore Chamber recommend that in order to obtain the fullest information regarding it a commission should be appointed to take evidence, and that on this commission the legal profession and the mercantile community should be strongly represented. As it was the expressed intention of the Hongkong Government to have introduced an amended Bankruptcy Bill last session they are presumably in possession of all the information they think they require. In any case the appointment of a commission hardly seems to us the best method of dealing with a matter of this kind; but it would probably be found advantageous to take the opinion of the Chamber of Commerce on the general principles of the proposed Bill, the draft of which might be so submitted for their consideration in the same way as the draft of the Stamp Ordinance.

The French frigate *Atalante*, Captain Treve, and the cutter *Comptesse*, Captain Martini, arrived here yesterday morning from the Passadouro. The Lord Mayor has received a letter from Mr. Cecil C. Smith, C.M.G., the Colonial Secretary and Acting Governor of the Straits Settlements, enclosing £430 3s. 4d., being the sum subscribed by him in Singapore for the Gordon Memorial Fund.

The United States corvette *Enterprise*, Captain Barker, arrived here yesterday morning from the Passadouro, and the cutter *Comptesse*, Captain Martini, arrived here yesterday morning from the Passadouro.

We are acquainted by the Government Astronomer to call attention to the third paragraph of his notice of the 25th May: "The meteorological signals do not imply that a typhoon is approaching the Colony. These signals concern only those interested in shipping. Local storm warnings are given by ringing the typhoon gun."

A block of buildings in High Street, Singapore, extending back to Back Quay, stored with various goods, took fire on the morning of the 17th inst. The fire was caused by a defective chimney. The goods were rescued, but one was burnt to destruction. The buildings were insured in the Alliance Insurance Co. for \$11,000.

The following further subscriptions to the Kwangtung Inundation Fund are acknowledged in the Shanghai papers:—

Messrs. Rowland & Co. \$50  
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The steaming *Pat Fish* towed the river steamer *Hankow* into the harbor from Canton late on Thursday night, and she is now lying off Hung Ham docks. It is anticipated that her repair will not take long to carry out, and that she will soon be at work.

Among the "Notes and Queries" in the last issue of the *Chinese Recorder* is the following:—The taking correspondence of the *Shan-Pan* says the Mongol leaders of the Bannan have been admonished because, in giving audience to certain Mongol princes, His Majesty's Mongol speech was hardly up to the mark.

The following subscription in addition to the Tung Wah Hospital Inundation Fund has been received:—

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The *Chinese Recorder* says that the Rev. A. P. Hagger, D.D., writes from Denver, Colorado, that his health is still improving. The ravaged air of that high altitude world, it was hoped, would assist in restoring the functions of the contracted and feeble lungs. He is now in the city of Denver, Colorado, and is expected to arrive here on the 1st inst.

A correspondent writes as follows from Ningpo to the *Chinese Recorder*:—The Chinese people here have gained the day. One of our preschers from two hundred miles inland in Berlin, and he says the prevailing opinion in his region is that the typhoon season is now over. The typhoon season is now over. The typhoon season is now over.

Dr. Dobrock, the Government Astronomer, under date 24th inst., makes the following remark:—The barometer has risen in the south and fallen in the north. The temperature is 32° N. 124° E. or thereabouts, and will no doubt recur towards N.E. The drum was hoisted at 1.31 p.m. on the 22nd, and was during the past night replaced by the north cross, which was removed at 1 p.m. this day.

We have received from the local Agents, Messrs. Stoddart & Co., a copy of the report of the 60th annual meeting of the shareholders of the South China United National Insurance Company, held on the 6th May last. The profits were shown to amount to £74,437 8s. 4d., out of which dividend of 10 per cent. was paid to the shareholders. The dividend of 10 per cent. was paid to the shareholders.

The marriage of Colonel the Hon. Henry Parnell, C.B., late commanding the 2nd Battalion of the Buffs, oldest son of Lord Longford, with Miss Elizabeth Parnell, daughter of the late Mr. Parnell, was celebrated at St. Mary's Church, Kensington, on the 24th inst. The bride was accompanied by her father, the late Mr. Parnell, and her mother, the late Mrs. Parnell.

The *Coronet*, a new steamship for the P. and O. Company, was launched on the 24th inst. by Messrs. Caird & Co., Greenock. The vessel, which is of a gross tonnage of 5,000 tons, is of the following dimensions:—Length, 430 feet; breadth, 45 feet; and depth, 10 feet 6 inches. She is to be commanded by Mr. J. H. Caird.

A new mission hospital is about to be erected in Shanghai. The Rev. G. W. Wood, of the American Methodist Episcopal Mission, writes from that city, under date 19th June, to the *Chinese Recorder*:—"We are taking out the foundations of the hospital. The contract with the Chinese is now being completed. The foundations of the hospital are now being completed."

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charge of them were simply passengers by the steamer over whom he had no control whatever. It was also stated that these men were now released.

Mr. Leach—Will you make a formal order, Mr. Lord?—The order is not in custody. Mr. Lord—I think it would be more consistent if an order were made. His Lordship—A request has been made to the district judge to have the order made. The district judge has been deputed to distribute the order, and he has been deputed to distribute the order.

His Lordship—That is what you say, but he does not say so, and he says they are now released. You say that the captain and the crew of the ship have been released. The captain and the crew of the ship have been released. The captain and the crew of the ship have been released.

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## CANTON.

[FROM A CORRESPONDENT.]

23rd July.  
I regret very much to hear of a case of misappropriation on the part of some of the Chinese entrusted by the Authorities with the distribution of the rice among the sufferers by the recent inundations on the North River. The rice, which the district judge had been deputed to distribute, had been sold, and the proceeds had been used for other purposes. The district judge had been deputed to distribute the rice, and the proceeds had been used for other purposes.

Mr. Leach—I do not think anybody had a right to release these Chinamen without receiving an order from the court. His Lordship—The captain says they were not in custody. Mr. Leach—do not think your Lordship will recognize anyone but the captain of the ship as having the men in their custody. His Lordship—I am not going into that question, but I am going into the question of the captain's release. The captain has been released. The captain has been released.

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## LATE TELEGRAMS.

[FROM "CANTON OBSERVER".]

THE RUIZ CANAL COMMISSION. PARIS, 20th June.  
M. de Freycinet is drawing up a note on the subject of the Ruiz Canal Commission, with the object of a fresh exchange of views between the powers.

THE KING OF SPAIN AND HIS MINISTERS. MADRID, 21st June.  
The Ministry has resigned in consequence of the determination of King Alfonso to visit the provinces infected by cholera.

THE NEW ITALIAN MINISTRY. ROME, 22nd June.  
The King has entrusted Signor Depretis with the formation of a new Cabinet.

THE GUARDS IN CYPRUS. LONDON, 24th June.  
The third battalion of the Grenadier Guards and the second battalion of the Coldstream Guards have arrived at Limassol from Alexandria.

OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS. LONDON, 24th June.  
Sir Henry Maine has been appointed permanent Under-Secretary for the Home Department in the place of Sir A. Liddell.

THE BISHOP OF SALISBURY. LONDON, 24th June.  
The Bishop of Salisbury has been appointed to the see of Salisbury.

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[FROM "CANTON OBSERVER".]

Twenty years ago Cardinal Manning was sanguinely expecting at no distant date the return of England to the bosom of the Roman Catholic Church. But at present, alas! the British Quarterly Review, the adherents of the Papacy can only claim 3.5 per cent. of the entire religious population of London, which is in the North River. The rest of the population, their chief strength is in the western districts, and although the Roman Catholics may possibly be quite 150,000 out of a population of 4,000,000, their influence is mainly to be accounted for by the immigration of Irish into the metropolis.

Why do the revisors of the Old and New Testament insist on using the spelling "judgment" instead of "judgement"? The answer is, being one of especially legal men, we should have thought the universal practice of lawyers in modern times, supported as it is by all contemporary English literature, ought to have been followed. We can only answer our own question by supposing that the revisers have gone back to the spelling of 1611; but this is a totally insufficient reason for adopting a mode of spelling which makes it impossible to read the text without a constant reference to a dictionary.

This correction of English spelling is a temporary check, and at the very conference whose sole object appeared to be, under cover of military precautions, to snap our "sensitive chord." It was in the year 1874 that the revisers of the Bible were appointed, and it was in the year 1874 that the revisers of the Bible were appointed.

A letter from Aquila, in the Abruzzi, tells us that an Italian Archaeological Royal Commission has been sent to the Abruzzi, to the site of the old Subura town of Amintoreum, and has commenced the excavations commenced some years ago. At that time a portion of the theatre and its remains were brought to light. It was a semi-circular structure with stone seats. Several inscriptions and a stone staircase, were particularly noteworthy. The excavations have been continued, and the remains of the theatre have been brought to light. It was a semi-circular structure with stone seats. Several inscriptions and a stone staircase, were particularly noteworthy.

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